IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of

Mikio Watanabe, et al.

Serial No.:

Not Yet Assigned

Group Art Unit:

Not Yet Assigned

Filing Date:

Concurrently Herewith

Examiner:

Unknown

For:

IMAGE MANAGEMENT APPARATUS, IMAGING APPARATUS, AND

IMAGE STORAGE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Honorable Commissioner of Patents Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 through §1.99 and pursuant to applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, applicant respectfully brings the following documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449, to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. Copies of the listed documents are provided herewith for the convenience of the Examiner. In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3), the relevance of these documents is discussed on pages 1-3 of the subject application. Further, English-language Abstracts are attached to of the references.

This citation does not constitute an admission that the references are relevant or material to the claims. They are only cited as constituting related art of which the applicant is aware.

It is respectfully requested that the listed references be considered by the Examiner and formally made of record in this application.

Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully submitted,

Sean M. McGinn, Esq. Registration No. 34,386

Date: ______

McGinn & Gibb, PLLC

Intellectual Property Law

8321 Old Courthouse Road, Suite 200

Vienna, VA 22182-3817

Customer NE 21254ENCES CONSIDERED EXCEPT WHERE LINED THROUGH. /T.D./

3	INFO	RMATION DISCLOSUE		PA4954U Applicant(s)	PA4954US Applicant(s)		Application Number Not Yet Assigned		
		(Use several sheets if neces	sary)	Mikio WATANABE Filing Date Concurrently h		Group Art Unit Not Y	up Art Unit Not Yet Assigned		
				U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS			1 . 24 - 32		
EXAMINER INITIAL	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE		
			-				-		
					*				
							 	-	
			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				,	·	
1	×					 	-		
						١			
	-, -		-			.,			
				- 1	<u> </u>	<u> </u>			
<u>.</u>				CONCION DA TENT DOCUMENT			.,		
- 		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1	FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS	· -		· ·		
	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	YES	NO NO	
		9-261619 2001-24982	10/03/1997	Japan			MBS		
		EP 0 991 260 A2	04/05/2000	Japan Europe		 	100		
			+		31				
							-	on the Ship.	
				OTHER DOCUMENTS (Includio	ng Author, Title, i	Date, Pertinent P	ages, Etc.)		
-									
XAMINER /Trung Diep/				DATE CONSIDERED	06/1	06/19/2008			
		al if citation considered, whethe clude copy of this form with ne			; Draw line thro	ugh citation if no	ot in conform	ance and	

Form PTO-A820 (also form PTO-1449)

P09A/REV04

Patent and Trademark Office * U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE